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Will You Be Home for Christmas?

Will you be home for Christmas? That depends in part on how you drive your car between now and Christmas," declared Col Francis J. McCabe, Chief, Maine State Police, today. "Some motorists in our state won't be alive to celebrate the year's most beloved holiday, for they'll die in automobile tragedies. Others will be observing the holiday in hospital beds they never expected to occupy, because they never suspect that they may be the next to be injured in a traffic accident," he commented. "Street and highway mishaps will break up a good number of homes this month, just because some drivers, and some pedestrians, will forget to take traffic rules seriously."

December, he pointed out, is the month of least daylight in the year. Hours of darkness fall extremely early, making it necessary for many workers to go to and from work in twilight or darkness. "Add to the darkness the hazards of sleet, snow and ice, and you can understand why any mistake in judgment while walking or driving becomes twice as dangerous," McCabe said.

"With many stores open evenings for holiday shopping, and with public transportation vehicles carrying peak loads, it behooves every private vehicle operator to be alert, anticipating the possible actions of fellow drivers and pedestrians," he added.

"Traffic will become undependable as streets and highways are covered with snow and ice. Drivers must reduce speed, lengthen distances between cars, make gradual rather than quick stops, and use anti-skid chains when conditions warrant. This is more important now, with virtually all tires now in use being made of synthetic rubber.

"Pedestrians will have to be mindful of their responsibilities, stepping from the curbs only when it is safe to do so, crossing streets where expected at corners and avoiding the blocking of their vision by umbrellas or bundles.

"Our state has a well-planned program of snow removal, but each motorist must accept his share for combating the effects of winter weather on the highways," concluded Col McCabe. "He should have his chains ready for use, and never relax his vigilance until his trip is completed."

BETHEL PLAYERS MET AT COMMUNITY ROOM, DEC. 15

The Bethel Players met at the Community Room Monday night. It was voted to donate \$25 to the Boy Scouts also to sponsor the Brownies and donate \$25 for their needs.

Members of the committees for next meeting will be: Refreshments—Phyllis Glines and Millicent Pendleton; Program—Emily Saunders and Connie Thurston.

The report of the reading committee was heard and the play "It Happened One Night," was selected. At the close of the business meeting a Christmas tree and an exchange of gifts was enjoyed.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Josephine Whitman and Mrs. Emily Saunders.

Don't let a traffic accident mar your holiday. Our State Police point out that even one which damages only our car can be awkward and distressing, especially at this time of year. We need our cars, and we don't want to be spending money on repair bills. Drive carefully. Traffic is unusually heavy, and drivers are inclined to be inattentive.



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While gladdened by the fact that the Mountains Catholic Church in North Conway, N. H., Saturday when Miss Pauline Myrza Graham, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Russell Graham of Bethel, became the bride of Sgt. Francis Roland Berry, on of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Berry, also of Bethel. The Rev. Father Collins officiated at the 11:30 o'clock ceremony. A reception at the Presidential Inn, Conway, N. H., followed.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white tulle gown, sash and train of imported lace. Her fingertip veil hung from a Juliette cap of lace and seed pearls. She carried a cascade of white poinsettias. Miss Ann Monzert of West Newton, Mass., was her only attendant, wearing a green off-the-shoulder gown with matching headpiece and mitts. She carried a cascade of red poinsettias.

Glendon McAllister of Walpole, Mass., was best man and the ushers were Stanley Davis and Robert Greenleaf, both of Bethel, and Louis LeSueur of St. Johns, Que. The bride is a graduate of Bethel High School and the Katherine Gibbs secretarial school of Boston, and the bridegroom is a graduate of Gould Academy and of Bates College, Lewiston.

Following a wedding trip to Lakeland, N. Y., the couple will reside in Clarksville, Tenn.

DIXFIELD GET-TOGETHER WILL OPEN COUNTY PUBLIC SPEAKING SEASON JAN. 10

The following announcement was made today by Harold C. Perham, president of the Small Schools Public Speaking League of Oxford County.

Dixfield High School will be our host school this year on Jan. 10 and Principal Harold Grant and the Director of Speech at Dixfield will have full charge of the evening's program. The complete program will be forwarded to each of our League schools in early January. Buckfield, Canton, Oxford, West Paris, Woodstock, Dixfield, with special invitation to Andover.

The program will include one speaker from each of the schools named and using any selection desired. 7:00 p. m. has been set as the arrival time at Dixfield High School building. Each school is requested to bring a group of interested public speaking students.

The annual meeting of the Principals and Directors of Speech will be held immediately following the speaking and preceding refreshments.

During the past year the Small Schools League was represented at the Speech Contest, the Oxford County Contest, the Montgomery Contest at Colby, and 27 attended the University of Maine Speech Contest. Other inter-school programs were held in addition to the various local high school speaking contests and programs.

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SANTA TO VISIT BETHEL

Santa will visit Bethel on Wednesday, December 24, and will arrive on the afternoon train. He hopes that all of his young friends will be brought by their mothers and fathers to the railroad station to meet him. He will have his pack filled with good things for good boys and girls.

The American Legion asked him to come to Bethel, and he said he'd be delighted. When interviewed yesterday he said that he never felt better and that he believed that this Christmas would be one of the merriest yet. He also suggested that if any grown-up people or organization wanted to help the Legion be hosts to the community Christmas party he could be reached through Mush McMillan, Herb Kiltredge, or Jack Compas.

DEC. 31 FINAL DEADLINE FOR SIGN-UP IN ACP PROGRAM

December 31, 1952, is the final deadline for sign-up in the 1953 ACP Program of requests for assistance in any one of the 10 approved practices for the conservation of soil, water, and forest resources.

Some over 40 community committees are now at work contacting farmers over Oxford County. Any farmer who is interested in the program and has not been contacted should make an effort to see his local committee member before the end of December. Community committees who have been elected and trained for this work are:

For Brownfield, Denmark, Hiram and Porter: E. Gordon Richardson, Elwin Moulton, Frank Weeks, Carroll B. Wadsworth Jr., Harold Bucknell.

For Fryeburg, Stow and Lovell: Richard R. Fox, Ralph D. Thompson, Erville A. Fernald, George H. Stearns, and Raymond L. Charles.

For Stoneham, Sweden, Waterford, and Albany: Charles A. Fillebrown, Benny J. Cyr, George J. Strong, Charles A. Hersey, and Ralph F. Klucken.

For Norway and Greenwood: Ernest L. Watson, Arthur H. Holman, and Howard C. Heath.

For Oxford, Paris, and Woodstock: Alpheus Jackson, Fred S. Bennett, Ashley Pike, Hugo Hellman, and Donald J. Mason.

For Buckfield and Hebron: Gerald M. Bessey, F. Wilton Warren, Stanley E. Bennett, W. Henry Allen, and Leslie E. Perry.

For Bethel, Gilead, Lincoln, Magalloway, Mason, Upton, Newry, and Hanover: Cedric A. Judkins, Evans I. Wilson, Ernest L. Holt, Donald C. Varney, and Stanley B. Lord.

For Rumford, Andover, Mexico, Milton, Byron, and Roxbury: Martin W. Colby, Emile J. Doucette, Robert M. Silver, Russell L. Wentzell, and Dana B. Putnam.

For Dixfield, Canton, Peru, Hartford, and Sumner: Anthony Mendes, A. Herbert Stevens Jr., Archer P. Howard, Arlie B. Holman, and George W. Blanchard.

V. A. NEWS LETTER

Maine veterans who served on active duty since June 27, 1950, are eligible for pensions from the Veterans Administration on the veteran's terms with veterans of the two World Wars, according to M. L. Stoddard, manager at Togus.

Stoddard outlined three terms under which these Korean GI's can be eligible for these payments for disabilities that have nothing to do with their active service in the Armed Forces.

He said the veteran must be permanently and totally disabled. This condition was explained as meaning the veteran's mind or body has been impaired to such an extent that he is no longer able to earn a living and that the condition of the total disability will last for the rest of his life. Further, his disabilities need have no connection with his service.

The second condition, Stoddard said, is that the veteran must have served for ninety days, or more, unless discharged sooner for a line-of-duty disability. At least part of the service must have been served during war-time or after the opening gun of the Korean campaign.

The third requirement is that the veteran must have been discharged under conditions other than dishonorable. Stoddard said.

Christmas is almost here, and the State Police ask busy shoppers to be careful in heavy traffic, particularly when they are downtown in darkness or dusk. That's the time motorists have trouble seeing us, so please cross only at intersections where they expect us to be.

Christmas at the Churches

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT WEST PARISH CHURCH ON SUNDAY EVENING

On Christmas Sunday evening, December 21, at 7:30, a Christmas pageant entitled "The Seeker" will be presented in the West Parish Church. This pageant was written and first produced by the staff of the American Board Hospital at Gaziantep, Turkey, a few years ago. It is the presentation of the adoration of the shepherds and Kings at the birth of the Christ child, told in poetry and Biblical language, supplemented by choral music throughout the tableau. This pageant represents an all-church activity. Members of the Guild and Sunday School Club will portray the characters, while the Ladies' Club is assisting in costuming and in the social hour following the pageant. All members and friends of the church are cordially invited to join this Christmas worship service.

METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL TO OBSERVE CHRISTMAS

All members of the Sunday school, their parents, and all members and friends of the church are cordially invited to the church on Sunday evening at 6:30. Carols will be sung with the senior and junior choirs leading, and a 54-frame film strip, "The Birth and Childhood of Jesus," will be shown. Let's fill the church.

On Monday evening at 7 o'clock the children will present their program of recitations and songs, and their special gifts will be brought to the Christ Child. It is expected that Santa Claus will arrive in time to distribute the gifts from the tree.

IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Alton Laxton is confined to his home by illness.

Town schools will close Friday for the Christmas term.

Mrs. E. O. Donahue visited relatives in Lewiston several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Leavelle will leave Saturday to spend a few days in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Christensen and family will leave Friday on a trip to Florida.

Ramona McVee left Tuesday for Lake Umbagog, N.H., where she will spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Davis left Tuesday afternoon for St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will spend the winter.

Lewis Cole Sr. is ill with arthritis at his home in Sinking Spring. He has been confined to his bed for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin of Lewiston and Mary Ann Austin of Houlton will spend Christmas with Mrs. H. P. Austin.

Mrs. Jeanette Trefethen will leave Thursday to spend two weeks with relatives in Brockton, Mass., and Manchester, Conn.

Miss Ruth Donahue has finished work at the Rumford Community Hospital and accepted a position at the Children's Hospital in Boston.

Lewis Cole HMs has received his discharge from active duty in the U. S. Navy and has employment at the Oxford Paper Co. mill in Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Leola Carter of South Portland left Leslie Carter, Jr. Mrs. Carter and son Leola are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Trask Sunday.

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FRIDAY STORM CAUSES DAMAGE—SUPPLIES WATER

A fall of about five inches of heavy snow Friday afternoon and evening was a severe handicap to highway traffic for some time. Electric service was interrupted by falling trees near the home of Alton Laxton on the Bethel-Locke Mills road and at East Bethel and some telephone lines were affected.

The wet snow clung to branches, tree trunks and utility poles several days in spite of some thawing weather and occasional winds. The long dry wells and low streams have been brought up considerably although many are still without their needed supply of water.

At the same time 18 to 24 inches of snow in New Hampshire and Vermont caused much damage and inconvenience.

PLEASING FEATURES PROMISED FOR ALUMNI HOLIDAY DANCE

The annual Christmas dance sponsored by the Gould alumni will be held on Friday, Dec. 26, at the William Bingham Gymnasium from 8:30 to 1:30, with music by Lord's Orchestra.

The various committees are striving to make this an evening of joyous dancing and fun for all. Stanley Davis reports that Charlie Mills and the College Quartet will render specialties. One of the special features of the evening will be an old-fashioned prize walk.

Refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and cold drinks will be served during the evening. Members of the dance committee have tickets to sell at 75 cents per person. Tables to seat four or more may be reserved at the Bethel Spa for \$1 per table. The number is limited to 25 tables.

Don't forget the date. Get your tickets and tables now for an after-Christmas frolic.

Vicky Brown celebrated her third birthday this Thursday morning with a party at her home on Clark Street. Her guests included Mary Ann Bartlett, Mrs. Ernest Scott, and Gail Mrs. Joe Perry and Jo Anne Mrs. Henry Hastings and Steven Mrs. Dana Brooks and Jack Mrs. Robert Kempton. Refreshments and David, Eddie, Susan and Susan Brown. Refreshments were served.

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Bethel P. O. Improved By New Outfit

The new post office boxes installed last week seem to mark a new era for the Bethel office. Local memories do not recall the time when new boxes were previously used, although a new panel was put in some 35 years ago to replace earlier call boxes.

The new arrangement greatly increases the back office space, where practically all equipment is replaced by new. A new and much faster electrically operated cancelling machine is now in use. With the transition getting under way during the holiday rush all changes are not completed, but when the dust settles the increased space will provide much better working space than the crowded quarters in use the past ten years.

With all the boxes operated by combinations there has been more or less confusion in learning the opening procedures. It seems to be agreed however that the change, so far as patrons are concerned, has been made with minimum inconvenience, and the office force is to be commended for the good work they have done under unfavorable circumstances.

BOY SCOUTS—TROOP 165

A special meeting was held Sunday, Dec. 7, to make wreaths and candle holders to sell for Christmas. If you want to buy a birch candle holder and two candles notify Charlie Heino, Scoutmaster. He works at Bryant's Market.

The regular meeting of Thursday, Dec. 11, was opened by Budd Conner and Richard Saunders. Wreaths and candle holders and cleaned up. The games of Indian wrestling and Indian hand wrestling were played. After which the cobra patrol gave a demonstration on camping. Then the meeting was adjourned. Scout Reporter, Dennis Robertson.

MAINE 4-H YOUNGSTERS TAKE HONORS IN VEGETABLE GROWING

Four Maine 4-H club members took honors in the 1952 National Junior Vegetable Growers Association contest. The top prize was won by a 4-H club member who was a member of the Bethel 4-H club. The other three winners were from other parts of the state. The contest was held in Washington, D. C. The winners will receive prizes and travel expenses to attend the national convention in Washington, D. C. The winners are: Bethel 4-H club member, who won the top prize; and three other winners from other parts of the state.

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CHRISTMAS GIFT TIME AT WEE FOLK SHOP

Sweaters Socks Mittens Toys Baby Clothes

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What Makes America Tick?

A recent nation-wide sampling of high school seniors revealed that 65 per cent knew as little or cared as little about the economic system under which we live that they agreed with the Communist Communist doctrine of "from each according to his ability, to each according to his need." In a quiz given to find how much they knew about the American system, the seniors scored 48 per cent a few points better than mere guesswork would have produced.

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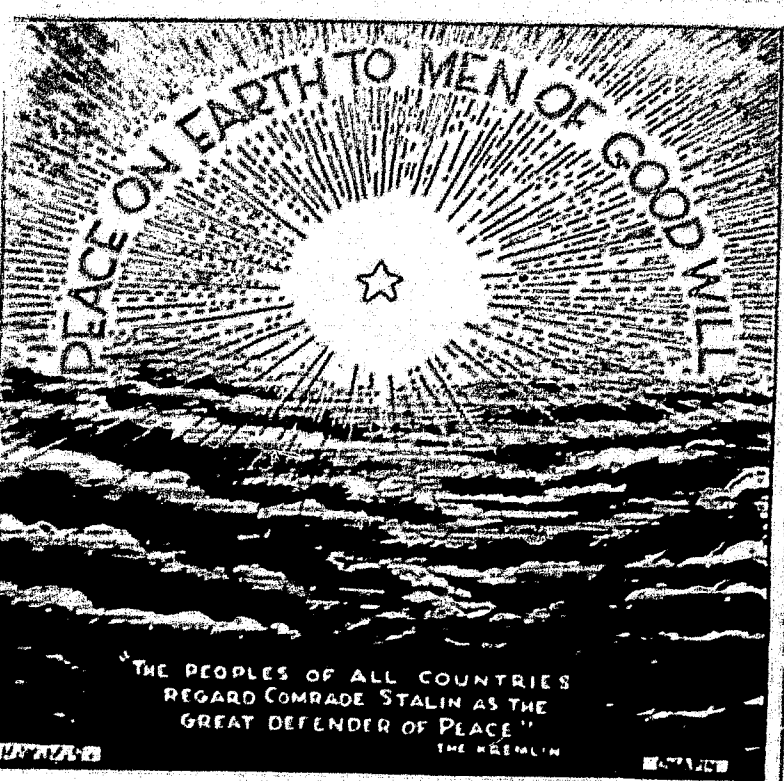
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The American economic system develops and grows a value on the production of goods and services. Freedom of the market is the basis of the system. The system is based on the principle of supply and demand. The system is based on the principle of competition. The system is based on the principle of profit.

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WE HAVEN'T discussed the matter personally with Stalin, but we are certain just the same that he has not the slightest intention of stopping the Korean war unless he can replace it with something just as wearing upon our nerves and resources. All the talk about the return prisoners is just so much bullhoo. If we accepted their conditions and forcibly returned all prisoners, the war would doubtless continue just the same—after a truce which would last long enough for the Red Chinese to further strengthen their forces and positions.

It is possible of course that the Kremlin would prefer to move the Chinese forces to south east Asia and to allow the Korean situation to simmer—to be renewed after they had driven the French out of Indo-China, had forced the British to relinquish Hong-Kong, and had taken the balance of south east Asia into their fold. But unless they have some such move in mind, they will keep the Chinese hammering at us as long as that nation can stand it.

It is the above is the case—and it seems logical—the most obvious solution would be to so punish the Chinese that they would be compelled to quit before the people themselves rebelled against further sacrifices. This is not impossible in a nation like China. McArthur believed this and wished to act upon that assumption; but the Truman-Acheson combine soon put a stop to any such constructive plan.

Of course there would be the risk of bringing Russia into the war, but the consensus appears to be that Russia will start World War III on her own time, and that scarcely any occurrence would force her hand.

Some risk must be taken unless we are willing to bleed ourselves to death on the Korean peninsula, and this column is firmly of the opinion that General MacArthur has already evolved some plan which may go far toward bringing the Korean bloodletting to an end.

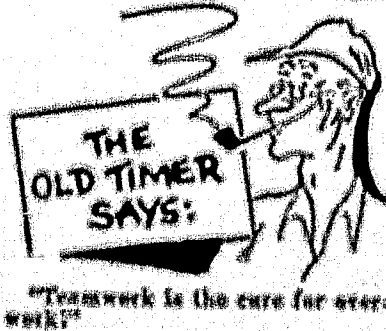
As far as anyone can see the reason being that they seemed the best available men for their respective jobs.

GRASS ROOTS OPINION
Gordon Grove, N. J. Times: "A man says that inflation is over will be when auto makers start cutting the price of their cars to their advertising. Benjamin J. Franklin, president of the United States Steel Corporation, has even a better idea. He would not only reveal the price of the car, he would reveal all the hidden taxes buried in that price. The tax on a \$2,000 automobile, for instance, in 1952, but the buyer does not know this."

Paris, Texas, Lamar County Echo: "The people want better medical service, but they are concerned that the way to get it is through steady, orderly progress under free enterprise and voluntary insurance plans—not through turning the problem over to power-hungry bureaucrats, along with some billions of our tax money to pay the bill."

Mount Airy, Maryland, Community Reporter: "Here in the United States, our built-in tax and the only heads that roll are those which figuratively topple as the people demand a change peacefully—and get it. It's a good system. Here's hoping we can continue to keep it. Revolution like these are good ones. They keep a country strong, healthy and sound."

Wilmington, N. C. Morning Star: "The government, since President Roosevelt launched his NRA, has used special agency upon special agency, with thousands of Federal employees have been getting in each other's way, listlessly duplicating each other's tasks, at the expense of the taxpayers. Surely this can be curtailed if not wholly eliminated. The tens of millions of dollars to be saved on Federal payrolls obviously would help reduce government tax bills."



Cure That Ulcer
EARLY IN LIFE William E. McGill, Atlanta Georgia, began a battle with fear. He did the things that he feared to do, which brought about mostly trouble. He was afraid of girls—so he tormented them; afraid to fight—so he fought; afraid of discipline and so he was constantly in trouble at school. The fellows called him "Wild Bill," and the teachers called him "The Smart Alex."

In business life the same situations arose, except now they became more serious in nature. He left his first job as a roofing salesman to become manager of a roofing department in a local hardware store. A few months later he beat up the bookkeeper and was fired. He was young, cocky, and tough—so he thought!

Finally, after an average amount of success and failure, he stood before his doctor who said he must enter a hospital to be treated scientifically for stomach ulcers brought on by business pressure. But Bill McGill says he now knows pressure came from within—not without. He was not being crushed, but literally about to explode from inward pressure which he now knows to have been brought on by himself. He was to find a new way of life.

If his trouble was arising from worries, the simple thing to do seemed to be to relax and stop worrying. What a wonderful idea! This is what he did:

1. He got the old chip off his shoulder. Ceased being so belligerent and avoided every argument. He let the other fellow save face.
2. He began to smile at people. Not a silly grin, but a great, big, genuine SMILE. This was not easy—He was not in the habit of smiling at folks. But wonder of wonders, he found that people would smile back at him.
3. But real relief from pressure within came when he became genuinely interested in others. This enabled him to acquire outward interests—to think about something besides himself and what he wanted.

The ulcer got well all by itself! It simply isn't there. No inward pressure, no ulcer!

THIS WEEK IN Washington
A SLOW OVERHAUL of the tax laws is planned by tax experts. Right now, Colin Stamp, chief of the congressional tax staff, is going through returns on 1,153 questions sent to corporations and individuals concerning the tax set-up.

Most of the replies tend to indicate that tax relief is needed. Some special problems of tax reform are: co-ops, investment income of life insurance companies, workers' pensions, welfare funds and other benefits included in taxable income.

The House Ways and Means committee wants a tax revision bill passed in 1954 and plans to start hearings on it next year.

The State Department says that the recent Czech purge shows that Stalin is still mighty but that he fears Titoism. Czech Red leaders had bungled and let living conditions in their nation become worse. Popular feeling against Communism was growing. So the trips had to be staged, with Slansky and the other defendants as goats, to create a diversion of attention by the public from bad conditions.

The next U.S. secretary of state, John Foster Dulles, plans to make hay of satellite recentments against Russian domination when he takes office. The Czech purge will provide him good ammunition.

Woods' resignation as price control boss was brought about by his inability to put through a decrease in the retail beef price. Truman's aides told him he was foolish to attempt such a thing. Also, Woods believes that price controls are on the skids.

The GOP, despite promises to work for a return to the gold standard, aren't hopeful that the return will be realized. They are afraid that the United States couldn't do it alone and believe that few other nations would agree to a uniform change in monetary standards.

GOP detectives have made plans to spy out the secrets of the Democratic administration when the new administration takes over. The question is: how far will they go in their probes?

They may not be too harsh in their investigations because the voters might think newly-discovered old Democratic scandals are new GOP scandals.

Discovery of more scandal in government may rock even the GOP boat.

Investigations take time and money. They would complicate matters for Republican office holders. He's bureaucrats won't want to take time off to run up to Washington and do a lot of testifying. They might have to answer some embarrassing questions themselves.

The Republicans will make R.F.C. loans harder to get. They want borrowers to make more effort to get money from private lenders. They look with suspicion upon borrowers who rely too much on federal help. The R.F.C. has relaxed again since the days of clean-up man Symington.

Consumer credit hit \$28 billion by the end of 1952. This is nothing but the Federal Reserve Board. The board feels that retailers are taking too big a risk encouraging customers to go too far into debt. Tighter money for business would prevent retailers from being too liberal in offering credit.

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WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Ruth Gilbert, Corres.

The following Christmas Service will be presented Sunday at the West Bethel Union Church at 7:30 p. m. Rev Peter Gowing of Phillips will be the pastor for the evening. Prelude; Processional; Christmas Carol, "Oh Come All Ye Faithful"; Call to Worship; The Invocation; The Promise of the Light, reading from Scriptures; Carol, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night"; The Coming of the Light, reading from Scriptures; Carol, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"; Christmas prayer; The Spreading of the Light, reading from Scriptures; Carol, "Joy to the World"; Offering; Anthem by Choir; Christmas Message, "Why the Wise Men Are Not So Wise"; Carol, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"; Candlelighting Service; Carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night"; Prayer of Dedication; Benediction; Recessional; Christmas Carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"; the Postlude.

The Ladies Chapel Aid Society held a pot luck dinner and Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Bernard Rolfe Wednesday. Those attending were Mrs. Herman Mason, Mrs. Clarence Rolfe, Mrs. Herman Bennett, Mrs. Freda Korhonen, Mrs. Mary Richardson, Mrs. Ada Rolfe, Mrs. Richard Walker and Diana, and Miss Lillian Lovejoy.

Pleasant Valley Grange met Thursday night with Worthy Master Chester Wheeler in the chair. There were 14 members and one visitor present.

It was voted to contribute to Maine Children's Home Society, to hold a Christmas party at the next meeting which will be Dec. 22. Each person is to bring a small gift. Women are to bring a gift for a women and men one for a man.

The literary program was reading of jokes, a poem, "Santa Claus Up to Date," and a Christmas carol by grange. Those who had readings were Mrs. Chester Wheeler, Mrs. George Gilbert, Miss Lillian Lovejoy, Mrs. Norman Hall, Miss Ruth Hall, Mrs. Robert Gilbert and Mrs. James Westleigh.

Refreshments were served by Miss Winona Korhonen, Mrs. Arthur Gilbert, and Mrs. Chester Wheeler.

Refreshment committee for the next meeting are Robert Gilbert, Mrs. James Westleigh, and Mrs. Ruth Hall.

Maurice Kendall has received his discharge from the U. S. Army and is at home.

Mr and Mrs Shirley Gilbert were in Portland last week.

Mr and Mrs Roy Newton and Mr and Mrs Carroll Abbott were in Lewiston Friday.

Miss Carolyn Dupre and Miss Nancy Dupre of Norton, Mass., and Walter Hyde and Russell Hodge of Attleboro, Mass., were week end guests of Mr and Mrs H. B. Lowell.

Mr and Mrs Paul Croteau of West Greenwood called on Mr and Mrs Charles Hancock Sunday.

Pat Stanley Clough is spending a furlough with his family.

Mrs Roger Clough, who suffered a heart attack the last of the week, is able to be about the house.

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Jenkins, Corres.

Mr and Mrs Roland Bernier and family have moved off Back Street, for the winter, on account of traveling conditions on that road. They have moved into the Ralph Brown house on Main St.

Mr and Mrs Fred S. Jenkins and family were in Rumford on business Saturday, Dec. 6.

Mr and Mrs Kendrick Jenkins and daughter were in Berlin, N. H., over the week end, Dec. 6.

Mrs. Beatrice Jenkins, Richard Enman and Ann Douglas attended Grange meeting at Bear River Grange Saturday evening, Dec. 6 where Ann Douglas received her first and second degrees in the order.

Mrs. Elizabeth Richards was guest speaker at the PTA meeting at Errol, N. H., one evening last week, where she told of her travels to Germany and Austria in 1930.

Extension Service meeting was held at the home of Jennie Jenkins on Thursday, Dec. 11. Subject: Planning meeting, at which the calendar was adopted for 1953. Dinner was served at noon by Mrs. Arline Bernier and Mrs. Ida Harrett to nine women, one man, and nine children.

Lee Barnett has bought Miss Jane Jacobs' place on the hill. C. A. Jenkins has a ball from the herd of Robert Pike of Cornish. Fred Jenkins went to Cornish and got him one day last week.

School will close this week with a program at the schoolhouse.

The Community Tree will be at the Church, Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

Ida Harrett has gone to Berlin, N. H., to do Christmas shopping for the Jenkins' family.

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KEEP CHRISTMAS MERRY



EAST BETHEL

Mrs. David S. Foster, Corres.

There will be a square dance next Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Grange Hall at East Bethel with Raymond Hillman calling.

Mrs. Floribel Haines and Mrs. Agnes Haines were in Norway this week.

East Bethel was without lights or power Friday for several hours due to the heavy snow.

Mr and Mrs Almon Coolidge were in Rumford Christmas shopping recently.

The Farm Bureau community Project Committee is as follows: Mrs. Marguerite Bartlett and Mrs. Floribel Haines. The suggested project is to obtain an electric urn for the grange kitchen. The country in the Know Your Neighbor project is India this year.

Dorothy Bartlett is back at school after being out several days last week with a heavy cold. Clark Bartlett is recovering from a heavy cold too.

Friends of little Geneva Kimball will be glad to know that she is at home but is still in bed. A sunshine box was given her Monday by her schoolmates of East Bethel school.

Mr and Mrs Robert Hastings were in Portland last week end.

William Farwell and Sue Howe are recovering from attacks of tonsillitis.

Alder River Grange won a blue ribbon in the National Community Service Contest for their community service project.

In the Lucky Clover Club Shirley Bartlett won a blue ribbon on judging zippers and one on the questionnaire for the seniors. Sandra Olson won for the juniors in judging darning aprons.

Miss Adelle Kimball is home from Teachers' College for Christmas vacation.

The planning meeting of the East Bethel Extension Service Group was held with Mabel Abbott on Dec. 10 with seven members and two visitors present. The program was planned as follows: Jan. 15 - Home Gardens with the H. D. A. at Bethel. Feb. 11 - Food Preservation. March 20 - Comfort in the Living Room. April 17 - Easy Everyday Desserts. May 22 - Keeping Fit on Proteins with the H. D. A. June 17 - Metal Trays. July 19 - Picnic or tour. Aug. 19 - Butter Buttons. Sept. 23 - Shoes for

ALBANY HUNT'S CORNER—AND VICINITY

Mrs. Harlan Bumpus, Corres.

The Rev. W. I. Bull conducted the church service Sunday.

L. J. Andrews and son, Ray, were in Sumner Friday.

Mr and Mrs George Allen, Iva and Danny, were recent callers of Mr and Mrs Ray Andrews.

Mrs. Addie Rainey has been ill. Earlon Keniston and daughter, Lona, and Ivan Stowe were Saturday callers of Mr and Mrs L. J. Andrews.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Hazelton and children, Tony and Vicky, of Bridgton were Sunday supper guests of Mr and Mrs Harlan Bumpus and family.

Mr and Mrs Edwin Morrill visited Mr and Mrs Ray Andrews Friday evening.

Recent callers at Harlan Bumpus' were Miss Cora Bumpus, Mrs. Richard Morrill and daughters, Margaret and Marilyn, of Auburn; Mr and Mrs Earlon Keniston and daughter, Lona, Amy Cummings, Iva and Deanna Rugg, and Mr and Mrs Arthur Wardwell and daughters, Jean and Jane.

NEWRY

Mrs. Leon Enman, Corres.

Mr and Mrs George Kimball and Webb Learned, Rumford Center, called on Mr and Mrs Henry Learned, Sunday.

A girls 4-H Club has been organized with Mrs. Willis Brooke, leader, Mrs. Calvin Gross, assistant. Officers elected: President, Pauline Gross, Vice-President, Patricia Morton; Secretary, Marjorie Morton; Treasurer, Gloria Duran. Color Bearer, Elaine Sterling. The club has been named "Fine Foods 4-H Club." Selling 4-H Cookies is their first project. The next meeting will be a Christmas party.

Mrs. George Learned entertained at a Canasta party in her home on Wednesday evening. Those playing were Mrs. Selma Chapman, Mr and Mrs Warren Powers, Mrs. Willis Brooke, Norman Davis, Mr and Mrs James Duran, Mrs. Harold Brooke, Leroy and Patricia Learned, Mrs. Harold Brooke and the hostess.

Mr and Mrs George Olson, Mrs. Jorgen Olson and Mrs. George Learned were in Lewiston shopping Monday.

Mr and Mrs Lee Swan, Janis and Randy, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr and Mrs Leon Enman.

Robert Mills was a Tuesday evening guest of Mr and Mrs Hugh Jurgin.



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Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.

The Sunday River Church School will hold its Christmas Truss on Dec. 21 at 7:30 with an invitation to all to be with us for our program. This will close our Church School until next March as the cold weather bothers our meetings.

Bryce Yates is working for R. M. Fleet.

We have had plenty of rain for a while as our well is useable again.

Miss Laura Yates and girl friend of Pelletier's School of Beauty Culture were at her parents' over the week end.

Robert F. Bean has been confined to his house by illness the past week.

Charles Frost and others have been having the colds that are on the go around here.

Mrs. Helen Runnels and son Charles were in Berlin, N. H., Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Harold Enman of Rumford Point were at their cottage Saturday.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mrs. Collata Morgan, Corres.

The Community Club had its meeting and Christmas tree on Tuesday evening. The evening was planned by Mr and Mrs Arne Juvonen and there were 33 present.

Mrs. Roy Millett is a patient at the Osteopathic Hospital in Portland, where she submitted to surgery last week.

Mr and Mrs Ernest Cyr and family of West Paris were Sunday callers at her mother's, Mrs. Edis Tammlander's.

Mrs. Fred Curtis was in Lewiston on Friday.

Mrs. Carroll Nottage was a caller at her sister's, Mrs. Clyde Morgan's, on Saturday.

Fred Curtis was at home from Peabody, Mass., over the week end.

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tell me what is free Govt. money—and don't beat around the bush. And furthermore, this local citizen could state his desire for some free dinero for his ownself, if it was floating around—and thereby ease the pressure on his own exchequer on income tax pay-up day.

It is time the notion faded that there is or ever was such an anti-mal as free Govt. dinero. It don't take any heavy head scratching and pondering to come to such a conclusion. Everybody by now has had time to meet up with the displaced income tax gent. The myth of "free Govt. money" should now fool no man, woman or child—black, white or bronze.

We been walking in the garden of "make believe."

Yours with the tow down,
JO SERREA

the Family with the H. D. A. Oct. 21—Holiday candles, Nov. 18—Election of officers, and book review, Dec.—Planning meeting. A Christmas tree and refreshments of popcorn and candy were enjoyed afterwards.

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THE STARS

By LYN CONNELLY

HOLLYWOOD ad agencies see a new trend in daytime radio schedules now that Bob Hope has moved into the afternoon field on a five-a-week basis.

If Hope should cut in on the soap opera audience or battle on even terms with Arthur Godfrey, then look for a drastic shakeup on the daytime air schedules.

It goes without saying that stars on the night shift of radio will be moved around by their sponsors to get away from stiff television competition.

It might be added here that Curt Massey's sponsor got the jump on most of the agencies a year ago by putting Massey on two networks, both in choice late afternoon times.

Dinah Shore moved into Beverly Hills from the valley to be near NBC-TV.

Now NBC-TV has moved out to the valley! Doris Day is set to do a Dinah Shore-type TV show when her current contract at Warners expires.

CBS is interested and attempting to close the deal now. If it goes through, her hubby will produce.

Meredith Willson has had 16 offers of cats since it was noted in the public prints that his favorite feline, Fedalia, had disappeared.

John Baer will play Terry in the TV series of "Terry and the Pirates."

* THE AMERICAN WAY *
A Reasonable Number
Of Fleas

by
George
Peck

George Peck
(EDITOR'S NOTE: George Peck is Chairman of the Board of the Labor - Management Foundation and Executive Editor of its official publication, PARTNERS.)

In writing this article, I do so in the full knowledge that it is bound to bring down on my poor head the wrath of some of my dyed-in-the-wool, ultra-conservative friends. Nevertheless, I believe it is a piece that should be written.

A friend of mine, who is somewhat of a philosopher, is prone to recite an old adage upon the slightest provocation—sometimes, even without provocation. It goes: "A reasonable number of fleas are good for a young pup; they keep him so busy scratching that he has no time to brood over his misfortune in having been born a dog."

Somewhat or other that old adage always reminds me of the swarm of socialist planners who for many a year have been itching our American body politic. Now, please don't get me wrong. Not for a moment do I wish to convey the thought that these starry-eyed, something-for-nothing boys are fleas that would be underestimating their itching capacities. Fleas are mere amateurs by comparison. The fact remains, though, that these fellows (and their sisters) are parasiting on America's body; in fact, some have succeeded in burrowing beneath the skin. But like fleas on the pup, these political termites are not a total loss they serve a definite, useful purpose in our general American scheme of things.

Good as it is, the economy under which we Americans presently live still leaves room for improvement and we Americans have a burning desire for progress and improvement. That urge is what made us the great nation that we are. There are times when one or the other of our two major political parties, or both, fail to take this into account. They are good into action by the political fleas who are ever on the "itch" and stirring them up.

The ultra-conservatives, who insist on standing pat just cannot understand this in failing to comprehend it they unwittingly play into the hands of the Socialist, paving the way for the left-wing era to offer as a solution their unfulfillable utopian dreams.

Now, I lead with my chin as far as my Socialist friends are concerned. As I see the picture they constantly impel the two old line parties to streamline and modernize themselves. By so doing, the Socialists are removing any necessity of the general public climbing on the Socialist "bandwagon" in order to obtain reasonable and practical reforms.

As a concrete example of how

WORTH REPEATING

The theory that taxes needn't worry most of us, for the reason that the bill can be paid by the rich, was blown sky-high long ago. The rich are taxed to the point of confiscation now, and if we took 100 per cent of their earnings it wouldn't carry government for more than a few weeks out of the year. The people of small and mod-

erate means must do the great bulk of the paying. — Boston (Mass.) Bulletin.

A certain amount of political latitude is to be expected, but when the chips are really down—and this is one of the times—then the men we elect to office should stand by us. — Springfield (Mass.) News.

"Another result of the election, important to New England will be a slow-down in the authorization of huge federal development projects in other parts of the country. These projects are of no help to New England. Also they siphon out of the region huge sums of taxpayer money." — Meriden, (Conn.) Journal.

Corporate income taxes are largely included in the price of the finished goods to consumers and account for no small part of the present increase in the cost of living. — Bridgeport (Conn.) Post.

Say you saw it in The CITIZEN.

The fleas irritate to action, take the many measures that have been proposed for the socialization of medicine and hospitalization. Unwittingly the proponents of these measures have rendered the nation a distinct service even though we want no part of their un-American proposals.

The practice of medicine and the conduct of our hospitals in America have been of a high order—the finest in the world. Yet, the medical fraternity, to be perfectly honest, has been a bit smug and complacent — so enmeshed at times in its hide-bound ethics that it failed to hear and heed the call of the rank and file of the American people.

But the fleas stirred the medical out of their lethargy—goaded the American Medical Association into action. The AMA developed a plan to combat these socialized medical proposals. It was a simple plan—involved nothing more nor less than for physicians and hospitals to lend every encouragement to voluntary health insurance plans. The net result is that today more than 90 million Americans are covered by some form of voluntary health insurance. The drive will continue until every man, woman and child is enrolled.

The beautiful part of all this is that an already superior medical system has saved itself from bureaucratic domination, and at the same time has greatly improved itself, so that it can render an even larger measure of service to more of the American people.

For this improvement, the socialist planners, these fleas on the body politic, are entitled to the lion's share of the credit. In the final analysis, this would seem to prove that my philosopher friend is absolutely right. He knows whereof he speaks when he says: "A reasonable number of fleas are good for a young pup."

In bringing this article to a close, I must divulge that my friend always adds a warning which goes as follows: "But keep the number reasonable don't let the fleas get too numerous, or they'll kill the pup."

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Christmas cookies for the youngsters who come to call can be wrapped individually in gay tissue paper and placed in a drum at a ball table. Make the drum out of a cardboard carton and cover with striped paper.

These make attractive ornaments for the tree plus giving cheer to those who come to call. Wrap small pieces of your own fruit cake in metallic paper and tie with ribbon to boughs of the Christmas tree.

If you're giving aprons away, which you've sewed yourself, wrap the package in the same material in which the apron was made and use as ribbon whatever was used for hemming.

Knitted presents can be wrapped in tissue paper (white) and may be tied with the various colored bits of yarn which were used for knitting.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Green Christmas Salad
(Serves 6-8)

- 1 package lime-flavored gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 cup orange juice
- 1 cup orange sections
- 1 unpeeled red apple, cut in strips
- 2 cups cottage cheese
- Lettuce or other greens

Make small snowballs out of white felt if you have some around and use these for tying to bright red or green ribbon in bows on presents. Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add orange juice. Chill until thick and syrupy. Gently fold in orange sections and apple strips. Spoon into molds. When firm, unmold in a circle on lettuce. Serve cottage cheese in center, with sautéed chicken or salad dressing.

Cakes for the fireplace may be made out of bright red or green gelatin. Cut into small cubes. For decorations, sew on beads, sequins or paste on the name, also cut from felt.

Small glasses of jelly fit very nicely into muffin pans and make a nice centerpiece for present giving. Wrap the whole tin with glasses in cellophane.

Should you lower your headlights team of the oncoming driver fails to lower his headlights? Our Maine State Police warn that they always don't make a right if you do. Lower your lights and blink the oncoming driver and you'll be an old dear before you know it. And watch your side of the road so that you will not be temporarily blinded.

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The Lumber Outlook For 1953

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Consumers can expect greater value and better service for their dollars spent on lumber in the year ahead. These better buys will come about as the result of more efficient production methods, greater utilization of waste materials, improved cutting practices and better merchandising programs.

Consumers also can anticipate ample supplies of lumber for all civilian and defense requirements next year. Reforestation programs and the present rate of tree growth promise to provide an adequate supply of timber for the nation's present and foreseeable needs.

Indications are that overall demand for lumber will be relatively firm in 1953. The government, builders, industrial users and the general public are expected to buy about the same amount of lumber that they purchased in the last 12 months.

Lumber consumption during 1952 totaled an estimated 38.9 billion board feet—one per cent above 1951. If all this wood had been diverted into home construction, approximately 1,662,500 average-size frame houses could have been built.

The outlook for 1953 production equal to this year's output, estimated at 36.7 billion board feet. Lumber companies will find their operating costs up slightly next year because of wage increases and price boosts which the government allowed this fall for metal products such as saws, trucks and heavy equipment. However, improved production methods and advances in wood technology will enable the industry to absorb these higher

costs.

National defense developments and the pace of new construction will have the greatest influence on lumber demand in the year ahead.

Lumber demand is certain to be bolstered during the construction season by the prospect of increased building activity in most fields. The government's prediction that slightly more than one million homes will be started next year is another healthy sign.

The impending relaxation of controls on commercial and amusement building should increase the markets for wood in this type of construction. Another factor likely to boost wood consumption in this field is the trend to more one-story buildings using engineered wood fabricated and laminated trusses. This trend has been particularly marked in the construction of amusement facilities, churches, shopping centers and public schools.

The demand for lumber in the defense program also is expected to hold up well next year and probably will improve. This prospect is linked to indications of an increase in military expenditures for new construction.

A sustaining influence on lumber demand will be the progress made in encouraging the alternate use of lumber and wood products for steel and other materials. Equally important is the development of new wood products and techniques which will help strengthen lumber's position as the nation's most versatile building material.

Lumbermen have reason to view the year ahead with at least a cautious optimism. And the public can depend on lumber to continue its outstanding job of helping to build a strong, progressive nation.

Our Great America by Woody



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Your Brain Budget

1. "Intransigent" means which (a) irrefragable, (b) uncompromising hostility, (c) on the way?
2. The material used for surgical stitches is from which (a) cow, (b) cat, (c) sheep, (d) hog?
3. Which does not come from a bean: (a) pepper, (b) coffee, (c) cocoa, (d) castor oil?
4. Which varies according to altitude: (a) 112, (b) 1,112, (c) 98.6, (d) 32.377?
5. Which donates money to cultural causes: (a) client, (b) patron, (c) patient, (d) disciple?

ANSWERS

1. (a) irrefragable
2. (a) cow
3. (a) pepper
4. (a) 112
5. (a) client

Dale's Gulf Station

Time sure does fly by fast. I did not realize that this atomic age had affected us so. It seems to me that this age has even affected the clocks as well as our way of life.

I have also been having trouble with my ghost writer. He has been a little lazy and is now demanding a vacation. As if he deserved it. I have even considered firing him for not making complimentary remarks about my business but where would I get anyone else that could punch a typewriter with two fingers. These accomplished people are hard to find now.

Speaking of the atomic age, I have a product that is the result of this program. Come in and let me give you the old tales talk about it.

TIRES AND BATTERIES
Gas and Oil
Lubrication

Still have them but they are getting moldy.

HAVE THAT TOO.

Do that too but please don't tell anyone about it.

MOTTO OF THE WEEK

Wait till the last thing is shop. The clerks like that.

PHONE 218 still works, I think.

Will be closed Christmas day all of the time.

This Week's Patterns

AUDREY LANE



No. 2715 is cut in sizes 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 380, 382, 384, 386, 388, 390, 392, 394, 396, 398, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 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TODAY'S Meditation

from **The Upper Room**
THE WORLD'S MOST WIDELY USED DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Thursday, December 18

Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. (John 8:32.) Read John 8:31-36.

We have heard of an English warship that was sailing through southern seas, when those aboard discovered an uncharted island. Men landed to take possession and planted the flag. Then the guns on the ship saluted the flag, breaking the silence of the island. Scarcely clad, a man with a long beard and uncut hair was seen coming out from among the rocks. He saluted the flag, and then disappeared. Later it was learned that he was an English sailor shipwrecked years before in those waters. His mind had been affected by the solitude. After recognizing and saluting the flag, he ran away from it although it was his only salvation from the limitations of living on the island.

Christ has come and the flag of the heavenly Kingdom is flying as a symbol of the hope that is ours through the great mercies of His abundant salvation.

Some salute the flag and take Jesus as their Saviour. But many turn from Him, not realizing that He is their only hope of salvation from the miseries and sadness of a life without Christ.

Prayer

Almighty God, cause us to put aside the weapons of war and destruction. By Thy love conquer our hatreds and prejudices. Lead us to accept that freedom that will make us one in Thee. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Thought For The Day
Today I will claim Christ as my Lord and Master.

—Robert P. Turner
(South Carolina)

Achievement Awards for 4-H Records

NOTEWORTHY records of achievement in the 1952 National 4-H Dairy Foods Demonstrations, Leadership and Tractor Maintenance programs have won six Maine club members top state honors. The winners and highlights of their records follow:

Recognition for outstanding leadership in club and community activities was awarded Walker Gordon, 16, of Albion and Arlene Richard, 17, of Farmington. A 4-H'er for five years, Walker is now the leader of his club. Members of his club have met the state of achievement requirements by having a record of 100% project completion. By hostessing their church grounds on "Clean-up Day" a 50% increase in attendance was realized at the next public meeting. Through posters, demonstrations and exhibits his club has helped to promote a safety program in the community. Walker has served as president of his club for four years.

Mrs. Richard has been in Club work seven years. As a junior leader she has helped the girls with their demonstrations, planned Sunday service for church, helped members with their records and charts and secured outfit speakers for meetings. This year she helped the younger girls present "A Good Start for the Day," an excellent demonstration showing how to make a nutritious breakfast. Arlene's projects include clothing, home improvement and food preparation. A 17-jewel wrist watch was presented to each by Edward Foss Wilson, president of Wilson and Co., Chicago.

Tops in Dairy Foods Demonstrations in Maine were Faith Wilson, 18, of Winslow and the team of Carol and Sandra Rollins, 17 and 16, respectively, of Dexter. Appreciating the importance of milk for good health, they have utilized many new and palatable ways of varying the diet by the use of dairy products. Faith gave the best individual demonstration on dairy foods in the state this year. "Cream Toast a la Gold-crest", Faith's presentation, is a tasty and nutritious breakfast containing at least one-third of the day's food requirements. Carol and Sandra's prize-winning demonstration was "Baked Custard" presented after a thorough testing of many custard recipes to find the best one. Chosen state winners, each girl was presented with a 17-jewel wrist watch.

All these programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.



Walker Gordon Arlene Richard
Carol Rollins Sandra Rollins

by the Carnation Company. In carrying out the objectives of this program, the teen-agers learned how to speak well in public, developed poise, good sportsmanship and teamwork. Proper tractor care has kept the wheels rolling and production up on the Stone farm in Biddeford. For a job well done, son Chester, 16, was named Maine winner of the 4-H Tractor Maintenance program and received an all-expense trip to National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago as guest of the American Oil Company. Chester has devoted eight years to the study and practice of tractor operation and maintenance. He has learned to handle a tractor and to plow with speed and skill. He won a plowing contest by observing carefully the mistakes of other contestants and by correcting them in his own performance. Chester does a great deal of tractor driving on his home farm. He has helped his father with the construction of a new silo and now plans to build a tractor shed. Chester is interested in forestry and dairying. An all-round 4-H'er, he has served his local 4-H Club as treasurer for four years.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

BETHEL METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. David Hickland, Pastor
Miss Minnie Wilson, Church School Superintendent

Miss Dawna Christie, Organist
9:45 a. m. Regular Session of the Sunday School.

11:00 a. m. Service of Worship, with sermon by the Pastor. The sermon subject is "My Christmas Gift." The entire service will be in the spirit of the season including the anthem by the choir.

Sunday, at 8:30 p. m. You are invited to a Christmas song service at the church. The choir will lead us in the Christmas carols and there will be a film-strip showing the birth and childhood of Jesus.

Monday at 7 p. m. The Christmas program as arranged by the Sunday School officers and teachers. The children will have their part in this program. There will be a present on the tree for each child, and the children will bring their gifts to help send our Indian boy to school.

Next Sunday will be New Year's Sunday, also Friendship and Loyalty Sunday.

WEST PARISH CHURCH
Charles L. Pendleton, Minister
Mrs. John Tobbet, Choir Director
Frank Lee Flint, Organist
Services for Christmas Sunday

December 21, 1952

Services for Sunday, December 14

9:30 a. m. Church School. Mrs. Henry Hastings, Superintendent.

11:00 a. m. Morning Worship. The choir will sing, "In Dulce Jubilo," a German carol. The Christmas sermon is entitled "Gloria in Excelsis Deo."

7:30 p. m. Presentation of the Christmas pageant, "The Shepherds." Wednesday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Church School program and party.

BRYANT POND BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Gunnar Lindahl, Pastor
Friday, Dec. 19: Junior choir rehearsal at 3:30 p. m. Senior choir

Hamilton-America's Fine Watch

Yes, this Christmas

Hamilton

AMERICA'S FINE WATCH

Shows your loved ones how lovely a gift can be!

THIS CHRISTMAS GIVE QUALITY

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BRYANT POND

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Berryman have received word that their son is receiving his basic training at Fort Riley, Kansas. His address: Pvt. E-1 Norbert W. Berryman, U. S. 61-157-963, Co. I, 86th Inf. Regt., 1st Patoon, 10th Inf. Div., Ft. Riley, Kansas.

Rehearsal at 6:30 p. m. Teacher Training Institute at Mexico.

Sunday, Dec. 21 — Sunday School at 9:15 a. m. Rehearsal for the Christmas program.

Morning Worship Service, 10:30 a. m. Message by the pastor.

Young People's meeting, 6:15 p. m.

Evening Service, 7:30 p. m. It is expected that a group of young people from Bob Jones University will be present to conduct this Sunday evening service. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Monday, Dec. 22: Boy Scouts meet at the church at 6:30 to go carol singing.

Tuesday, Dec. 23: Sunday School Christmas program and tree at the church at 7:30. Everyone welcome.

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The Lesson-Sermon used in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, is available to everyone who desires to study it.

You are cordially invited to attend the services of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, or the service of the branch church or society, near you.

Golden Text: "The Lord by wisdom hath founded the earth, by understanding hath he established the heavens." (Proverbs 3:19)

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SONGO POND

Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres. — Mrs. Muriel Kimball and little daughter, Brenda, spent Thursday night with Mrs. Myrtle Keniston. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pinkham and little son, Monty, have moved to Portland, where he has employment.

Joe Hamel has gone to New-castle, where he has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Graves and her mother, Mrs. Leslie Kimball, recently.

Mrs. Alice Kimball and Mrs. Win-nie Logan attended Extension Ser-boys of Randolph, N. H., visited vice meeting at Barbara Inman's Tuesday.

Mrs. Howard Lapham, Mrs. Ear-lon Keniston, Mrs. Bertha Andrews, Mrs. Marion Arsenault and Mrs. Muriel Kimball were shopping in Berlin, Tuesday.

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From S. I. McGinnis, Culladara, W. Va.: I remember when father taught us leather boots with brass at the toes for bumpers and red sheep skin at the toe of the boots. We mounted a ladder when we went upstairs to bed.

From Mrs. B. E. Dahlen, Mt. Horeb, Wis.: I remember when the hotel proprietor would call his boarders to dinner by swinging on iron bars around the inside of an iron triangle. I remember when the tinner would drive through town in a cart displaying all sorts of tin cooking utensils. I remember when the medicine show would set up for a week in our town and stage acts and sell medicine to cure all human ills. I remember when electricity was first in use there was no daytime service except on Tuesday mornings for ironing.

From Mrs. Florence Berry, Oildale, Calif.: I remember when I used to raise my hand in school and ask to pass the water bucket. I would take the pail and dipper and pass through the aisles offering each pupil a drink. It was a great treat to be allowed during school hours to go to the well a quarter of a mile away and get water for the class.

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Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO

Holiday decorations in public places were banned unless chemically treated so that they would not constitute a fire hazard.

The William Rogers Chapman music club was formed at Gould Academy.

20 YEARS AGO

Leonard Tyler was an Oxford County representative at the State Contest in Orono. His project was beans.

Miss Margaret Carter was singing in the devotional services of the Radio Parish, Portland.

Albert S. Grover was awarded the "Silver Star" by the War Department for gallantry in action in the Meuse-Argonne drive during World War I.

Deaths: Albert Small, Albert H. Heath, Mrs. Oscar S. Dyke, Howard Coburn.

30 YEARS AGO

Miss Cleo Russell received appointment as Postmaster of the Bethel post office.

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company opened a store in the Mainway Block.

Deaths: Elsie C. Sloan.

40 YEARS AGO

H. A. Packard sold his house and undertaking business to Fred J. Packard of Bethel.

"Christmas Stories" in Bethel: Edward King, H. S. Pushard, W. E. Bossmann, Ceylon Rowe, Elmer H. Young, B. E. Randall, L. M. Stearns, Jameson L. Finney, A. Van Ien Kerkhoven, C. K. Fox, Ira C. Jordan, Woodbury & Purlington.

Irving L. Carver removed the sign of Edwin C. Rowe on his store and replaced it with one bearing his own name.

Deaths: Hiram R. Hubbard.

50 YEARS AGO

Fred B. Merrill was a student at law school at Boston.

The Curtis house at the corner of Railroad and Mechanic Streets was sold to William O. Straw of Greene, Montana.

The ferry-boat at Northwest Bethel was trebuched in the middle of the river.

Deaths: Joseph B. Mason.

BORN

In Ramford Dec. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mills a daughter.

In Ann Arbor, Mich. Dec. 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lippitt, a daughter, Martha Lynn.

MARRIED

In North Conway, N. H. Dec. 12, by Rev. E. Collins, Sgt. Francis R. Hoxey and Miss Pauline M. Graham, both of Bethel.

O. P. S. LETTER

Although citizens have been requested to move and women to stop the Maine O.P.S. through their own efforts, a few have not.

It was reported that children were being taken to the O.P.S. and that some of them were being taken to the O.P.S. and that some of them were being taken to the O.P.S.

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GOULD ACADEMY

SKI TEAM SCHEDULE

Jan. 10, 1953, Practice Meet with Berlin at Gould.

Jan. 17, Holderness at Gould.

Jan. 24, Gould at Lyndon Institute.

Jan. 31, Gould at Edward Little Carnival.

Feb. 7, Gould at Rumford Carnival.

Feb. 13-14, Gould Academy Winter Carnival—State Interscholastic Ski Championships.

Feb. 20-21, New England Interscholastic Ski Championships.

Feb. 28, Open.

March 6-7, Eastern Interscholastic Ski Championships at Lyndon, Vermont.

The Academy will close at noon on Friday, Dec. 19, for the two weeks Christmas vacation. Boarding students will return on Sunday, Jan. 4, and classes for the Winter Term will begin on Monday, Jan. 5, at 8:10 a. m.

The casts for One Act Plays to be presented as part of the Winter Carnival program are as follows:

The Command Performance by Jack Knapp.

The Rajpoot, Captain of the Guard, Harley Merrill.

The Aynah, a serving girl, Nancy Tallon.

The Maharajah, absolute sovereign of his Raj, Raymond Nowlin.

Janette, Lawrence, a singer, Polly Timperley.

Albert Rosetti, an artist, Carter Taylor.

Claudia Winters, a novelist, Martha Spaulding.

James Van Loon, an idler, Felix McMorran.

Mabel Morrison, a mother, Barbara Jodrey.

Henry Collins, a doctor, Harrison Philbrick.

John Kirby, a scientist, William Penner.

Cabbages by Edward Staudt.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Grossmeyer.

Gus, her husband, David Ault.

Tidy, their daughter, Kay Dorsey.

Elizabeth, their new maid, Anne Backus.

Mrs. Lena Fisher, an old farm friend, Joan Shippee.

Mr. Jenks, a reporter, David Edelstein.

Mr. Markle, a genealogist, Frank Linnell.

The Boy Comes Home by A. A. Milne.

Phillip, a war veteran, Douglas Saunders.

Phila James, business man, Donald Greeney.

Aunt Emily, Marcia Theriault.

Mary, Suzanne Stowell.

Mrs. Higgins, Frances Russell.

GOULD 51—JAY 41

In a fast, exciting game that saw the score tied and the lead change at numerous times, Gould finally clinched the game in the final period. Jay started strong and had a six point lead early in the game, but the Huskies, who were down to 10-19 at the first rest period.

With Fossell leading the way, the winners forced ahead as they entered the Tigers 18-8 "a lead 25-21 at half time.

Gould's defense fell apart as the third period started and in less than no time Jay had it tied up 21-21. After taking a time out, Gould came back with Rolfe leading the scoring to gain a slim 22-25 advantage.

In the final stanza, the Huskies stayed out in front and increased their lead to 31-44 at the final buzzer. Fossell and Rolfe with 17 points each were the big guns with Murphy chipping in 7. High scorer of the game was Oakes of Jay with 18 points. He connected for six baskets and six out of six free throws. Fossell, at center, was out in line with nine points.

Gould:

Roller 0 0 4

Peterson 0 0 0

Fossell 6 6 17

Markle 0 0 0

Holte 5 2 17

Murphy 5 1 7

Roller 0 0 0

Wells 0 1 1

Total 17 19 55

Jay:

Roller 0 2 0

Markle 0 2 2

Roller 6 6 18

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NORWAY CENTER

The 4-H Club members who are enrolled in the dairy project were guests Dec. 5 of the Crockett Ridge Boys 4-H Club at the clubhouse where slides on raising dairy calves were shown, a question and answer period was held, and refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Watson were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Morrill, Dec. 7.

Edith Brown, Lena Mae Thurston, and June Bachelder attended a 4-H Leaders' Meeting at South Paris Tuesday evening.

Graham Bachelder, Arthur Holman, Chester Thurston and Merle Brown attended the forestry meeting at Stanley Lord's, Bethel, Tuesday afternoon.

Ernest Watson and Arthur Holman were in South Wednesday, to attend a PMA meeting.

Mrs. Edith Brown was in Lewiston shopping, Dec. 10.

Therrien 0 0 0

Couture 4 1 9

Bouvin 1 2 4

Melcher 1 1 3

Ouellette 0 0 0

Plante 0 2 2

Total 14 16 44

Gould 10 28 39 51

Jay 13 21 35 44

Officials: Huen, Albert.

At an election held Monday, Dec. 15, under the supervision of the Student Council, the following were elected Outing Club officers for 1952-1953.

President, Edward Hastings, Bethel; Vice-President, Mary Anne Myers, Bethel; Secretary, Judith Lamson, Northfield, Vt.; Treasurer, William Penner, Goshen, Conn.

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Tom Ewell

Tues. Wed. Dec. 23-24

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Shelley Winters

Thurs. Dec. 25

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Alton and Harold Thurston were in South Paris on business one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Bachelder and daughter, Margaret and Candace, visited his sister, Mrs. Maurice Doyon, in Brunswick Sunday.

Frank Hagan, County Agent, and Sumner Burgess, State Forester, were in this neighborhood Monday afternoon calling on farmers who are interested in selective cutting.

Claire Thurston and Merle Brown were in Lewiston one day recently.

Norway schools will close Dec. 19 for a two weeks vacation.

On the evening of Dec. 17 the Junior High School will present a Christmas Carol Sing at the Opera House. Thursday afternoon, Dec. 18, grades two to six inclusive will present a carol play, "One Christmas," to friends and parents.

On Friday afternoon each primary school will have a Christmas party.

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three new vice-presidents; T. E. Bunker, vice-president. The three men have been employees of the home of M. Joseph McKellik. Mexico, was destroyed day afternoon with a loss of \$5,000. (Cost money and wrap gifts were burned. Work is progress on the new Virginia Ford. It will open